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TO AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR IMMEDIATE
INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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PANAMA FOR RTC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: THREAT AGAINST AMBASSADOR

REF: SAN SALVADOR 5214

1. IN LIGHT OF THIS MOST SERIOUS THREAT, DEPARTMENT
BELIEVES POST SHOULD RE-EMPHASIZE TO HOST GOVERNMENT ITS
RESPONSIBILITY FOR AMBASSADOR'S PROTECTION AND
EMPHATICALLY REQUEST ADDITIONAL PROTECTIVE PERSONNEL BE
ASSIGNED IMMEDIATELY. DEPARTMENT PREFERS TO WAIT UNTIL
GOES RESPONSE TO POST'S ADDITIONAL SUPPORT REQUEST IS
KNOWN PRIOR TO COMMITTING ADDITIONAL PRS TO SAN SALVADOR.
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2. DUE TO EXTREMELY HEAVY PROTECTIVE SECURITY
COMMITMENTS GENERATED BECAUSE OF FOREIGN DIGNITARY
PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS, PARTICULARLY BY WIDESPREAD
OPPOSITION FROM STUDENTS AND DISSIDENTS TO THE UPCOMING
VISIT OF SHAH OF IRAN AND FAMILY, SY DOMESTIC AND HEAD-
QUARTERS' RESOURCES CURRENTLY ARE THIN; HOWEVER, WE ARE

WILLING TO SEND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO SAN SALVADOR, IF NECESSARY.

3. RE PARA 5 REFTTEL, A/SY CURRENTLY IS CONSIDERING THE MOST FEASIBLE METHOD OF TRANSPORTING FOLLOW CAR. IN

LIGHT OF THREAT CONDITIONS, IN INTERIM OF VEHICLE'S ARRIVAL DEPARTMENT BELIEVES POST SHOULD CONSIDER LIGHT ARMORING VEHICLE DEDICATED AS FOLLOW CAR AND ANY ADDITIONAL VEHICLES WHICH MIGHT SIMILARLY BE UTILIZED. ACCORDINGLY, WE ARE TASKING RTC/PANAMA BY INFO ADDRESSEE TO COORDINATE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE RSO. DEPARTMENT RECORDS REFLECT POST HAS SEVERAL PARTIALLY ARMORED VEHICLES, AND THEY SHOULD BE FULLY UTILIZED IN PROTECTIVE SUPPORT OPERATION.

4. RE PARA 7 REFTTEL, OC IS RESPONDING BY SEPTTEL CONCERNING THE REPEATER; HOWEVER, SY HAS ASSURANCES THAT REPEATER WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE.

5. GIVEN THE THREAT IN SAN SALVADOR THE RSO SHOULD CURTAIL HIS TRAVEL TO CONSTITUENT POSTS EXCEPT UNDER EMERGENCY CONDITIONS. IF RSO IS UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE CONSTITUENT EMERGENCY, SY WILL ATTEMPT TO COVER FROM ANOTHER POST. VANCE

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